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SUBJECT: TURKISH DECISION ON STRAW PROCESSING

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1. YOU MAY INFORM UNFDAC THAT USG WOULD FAVOR THE FUND CONSIDERING SYMPATHETICALLY TURKISH GOVERNMENT REQUEST FOR FUND TO COMPENSATE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ANY LOWER FIGURE POPPY CULTIVATORS MIGHT OBTAIN FROM SELLING UNLANCED POPPIES AND OPIUM GUM TO TURKISH GOVERNMENT. IN OUR OPINION SUCH A SUBSIDY SHOULD HAVE A CUT-OFF DATE WHICH WOULD PRESUMABLY BE NOT LATER THAN CONFIDENTIAL

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START-UP OF PRODUCTION OF STRAW PROCESSING PLANT IN

TURKEY. WE WISH POINT OUT, HOWEVER, THAT USDA EXPERTS ARE OF OPINION THAT THE TURKISH FARMER WILL NOT RPT NOT SUFFER FINANCIALLY UNDER POPPY STRAW METHOD.

2. AS STRAW PROCESSING PLANT WILL BE COMMERCIALLY VIABLE PROJECT, ESPECIALLY IN THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD SHORTAGE OF LEGAL OPIATE SOURCES, TURKS SHOULD EXPERIENCE NO DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING COMMERCIAL FINANCING. WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO TELL U.S. OPIATE MANUFACTURERS INFORMALLY THAT WE WOULD PERCEIVE NO OBJECTION TO THEIR TALKING TO THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT TO SEE IF THEY CAN BE OF HELP IN THIS REGARD. KISSINGER

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